In view of the prevalence of yellow lever at Guayaquil, Ecuador, Panama has clared a rigid quarantine against all els from that port

MATIOS ROMERO will not resume the resition of minister to Washington until the has finished the task of reorganizing the Mexican ministry of finance.

THE Idaho house, by a vote of 28 to 2, passed a bill, on the 26th, amending ection law so as to relieve the isabilities of members of the Mormon

A SPECIAL from Victoria, B. C., says: The sealing schooners C. H. Tupper and sh were wrecked on the night of 26th. The crews of both vessels a saved.

THE president, on the 23d, sent to the nate the nomination of Frank C. Paridge, of Vermont, to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Venezuela.

THE commissioners of Warren county, Ind., have found it necessary to rrow money to extricate the county en the embarrassment caused by Treasurer Cronkhite's defalcation.

from the mint and sub-treasury offices during the week ended January 21, 1693, was \$291.594; for the corresponding period of 1893 the issue was \$249,209. On the 26th the senate military com

THE issue of standard silver dollars

aittee ordered a favorable report on the amendment to the army bill introced by Mr. Proctor limiting the term of enlistment and the age of recruits. THE navy department has refused to

ke payment of the Chilian indemnity to anybody except the sailors of the Baltimore themselves and-in case of the two deceased sailors-to their legal

GEN. ABNER DOUBLEDAY died, on the 36th, at his home in Mendham, N. J. Gen. Doubleday, who was 74 years old, dition. had been suffering for some time with Bright's disease. He leaves a widow, but no children.

THIRTEEN new cases of cholera and one death from the disease were reported from the Neitleben lunatic asy-lum at Trotha, Prussia, on the 25th, where the disease had made its first appearance the day before.

SIR WILLIAM VERNON-HARCOURT, Britclined to advise the government to suffer during the transition.

Ow the 27th the supreme court of Indiana denied the petition for a rehearing in the apportionment suit. This was the last step necessary to kill the alleged gerrymander. The duty of the legislature will now be to make a new apportionment.

In the McDonald will case at Noblesville, Ind., on the 26th, among other wites, Jesse B. Caldwell, for six years private secretary to the late senator, aged 69. and Frank M. Lowen, a stenographer in the office, pronounced the signatures to the will forgeries.

J. W. HYAMS, who victimized the press of the whole country by his smard of the alleged Bakersville (N. C.) lynching riot, has decamped from Johnson City, Tenn., leaving his hotel board during his stay there.

THE supreme court of military justice Mexico has confirmed the sentence of death passed upon Col. Nieves Herndez, against whom it was charged that while in command of federal troops is pursuit of the Garza raiders he played into the hands of the latter.

An investigation of the list of employes reveals the fact that 130 men the 24th, and tost their lives in the disaster in the tally injured. Fortschritt mine at Dux, Bohemia, on the 34th, as it is generally conceded that those who were not killed by the explosion must have been suffocated.

In the senate, on the 26th, Mr. Culom introduced a joint resolution rehiladelphia to lend the United States covernment the Liberty bell for exhibiion at the World's fair. Objection was made, and the resolution went to the committee on library.

THERE was some alarm at the Cleve d cottage at Lakewood, N. J., on the ight of the 26th, on account of the illwere summoned, two of whom remained at the cottage for nearly an hour. It was said on the 27th, however, that the did's illness was not of a serious

THE cholera in the Neitleben lunatic sylum at Halle, Prussia, grows worse pe and more fatal. A number of se stricken with the disease have died within a few hours afterward. guests escaped without injury. The total number of eases, from the beof the outbreak up to the 23d,

THE latest dispatch from Cairo states that the hostility of the khedive toward land shows no signs of abating. answering the threat uttered by d Cromer to the effect that a comchange of regime might be necesprocess of liquidation Fire broke out in the concepcion mine

A BILL was introduced in the New ek state senate, on the 25th, provid-

A Summary of Important Events. FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

In the senate, on the 23d, the anti-option bil In the senate, on the 23d, the anti-option bill was taken up but again went over without action, an agreement having previously been reached that a vote should be taken on the filst. The Cherokee outlet bill was then taken up......In the house the quarantine bill was taken up. Several amendments were adopted, and the bill was finally passed. After a wrangle over the New York and New Jersey bridge bill the remainder of the seasion was consumed in the consideration of the sundry civil appropriations bill.

Is the senate, on the 24th, the credentials of Senators Gray, of Delaware, and Bate, of Ten-nessee, were presented and placed on file. A communication from Chief-Justice Fuller of communication from Chief-Justice Fuller of the supreme court of the United States, an-nouncing the death of Associate Justice Lamar, was read, and after eulogistic speeches by sev-eral senators, the senate, as a mark of respect, adjourned..... In the house, in his prayer, Chaplain Milburn made a special plea in con-nection with the sudden deaths of Associate Justice Lamar and Rev. Phillips Brooks. The speaker laid before the house the official noti-fication of Mr. Lamar's death, and the house adjourned out of respect to his memory.

In the senate, on the 25th, a bill was intro-duced for the admission of Utah as a state, and an amendment, reported from the committee on naval affairs, looking to the further increase of the navy by one battle ship, two armored coastdefence vessels, ten gunboats and eight tor-pedo boats, was referred to the committee on appropriations. In executive session the nom-ination of Judge McComas as one of the judges of the supreme court of the Distict of Colum-bia was confirmed......In the house the entire session was consumed by Mr. Kilgore, of Texas, in successfully filibustering against consideration of the bankruptcy bill, although it was demonstrated that a large majority of the members were in favor of its consideration.

In the senate, on the 25th, the debate on the anti-option bill was continued, Messrs. Mills, of Texas, and Hiscock, of New York, taking strong constitutional grounds against the measure..... In the house the session was one without any public interest. The sundry civil bill was granted the right of way, and while a few obstructions were placed in the way, nonof them proved disastrous, and the bill made

In the senate, on the 27th, Mr. ¡Hale, in a feeling speech, made announcement of the death of Mr. Blaine, and on motion of tMr. Cockrell, the senate adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of deceased..... In the house prompt adjournment was had upon the an-nouncement of the death of ex-Secretary of

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

JOHN C. GREEN, mine owner and prosector at Gulevine bay, Alaska, has returned from there. He says that the Innuit Indians, to the number of 500, along Fish river, are in a starving con-

TWENTY-THOUSAND people visited the Bridgeport (Conn.) lighthouse over the ice, 3 miles off Seaside park, on Long Island sound, on the 22d. The ice cracked and a score or more of women fell in, but they were rescued.

Funds of the state of Nebraska to the amount of \$23x,000 were deposited in the suspended Capitol bank of Lincoln, Gov. Crounse having approved the bonds of the president and cashier of the bank, thus relieving the bondsmen adopt decimal coinage, believing that the humbler classes of society would the governor were introduced in the house of representatives of that state on the 24th.

A steight with a party of six was struck by an Erie locomotive at the Morrow crossing in Passaic, N. J., at 12:30 a. m., of the 24th. Mamie Ryan, 22 years old, was killed instantly; Maggie Splain, 21, was so badly injured that she died a few hours later, and two others were fatally injured.

CARDINAL JOSEPH ALFRED FOULON, archbishop of Lyons, died on the 24th,

THE police of Pittsburgh have been requested by the Austrian government to suppress the Amerikansko Slovenske Noviny, a Hungarian weekly paper issued there. Copies have found their way into Austria and have been seized and burned as revolutionary and seditious. The paper, of course, could not be suppressed.

THE house committee on the World's Columbian exposition wrestled for two nours, on the 24th, with the Sunday opening proposition, and when it adjourned to attend the meeting of the house neither the Sunday openers nor the Sunday closers had secured a de-

cided advantage. EIGHTY Bohemian miners met instant death by an explosion in the Fortschritt mine at Dux. in Bohemia, on the 24th, and scores of others were fa-

ROBERT F. BEATTY was placed on trial in the criminal court at Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 24th, charged with complicity in the Homestead poison-

THE senate and house of representatives adjourned, on the 24th, as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Associate Justice Lamar, of Mississippi.

THE eighteenth annual session of the National Marine Engineers' Benevolent association met in Chicago on the 24th. Forty-four delegates, representing 10,000 licensed engineers, were in attendance.

It is confidently asserted by promi nent officers in a position to know that in case of an insurrection in Egypt the native troops will prove true to their British officers.

THE Grandview hotel at Fort Hamilton. N. Y., a large wooden structure built on a high bluff overlooking the narrows, and a popular summer resort for New York and Brooklyn people, was burned to the ground at 1 o'clock on the morning of the 25th. All the

FIRE, the result of two fighting cats upsetting a lamp in the basement, as eighty-four, of which thirty-eight caused \$3,500 damage to the Actors clubhouse in New York on the 25th.

IT is estimated that the estate of the late Bishop Brooks, who died intestate, will not fall far short of \$750,000. A FINANCIAL crisis is imminent in Nicaragua. Banks in Greytown, Rivas. Massaya and Chindega have closed their

doors. The bank of Nicaragua is in

FIRE broke out in the main shaft of the Concepcion mine at Atorce, San Luis Potosi, Mexico, on the 25th. The shaft caved in causing a heavy loss of for submitting to a vote of the The fire still raged under ground, and affected the question of consoli- at latest advices other workings had ating into one city New York city, collapsed and further subsidence was county, Richmond county, the momentarily expected. The loss to the of their own decorating also to be sold of West Chester, parts of East company will be upwards of \$1,000,000. for charity. wn, Flushing, Jamaica and a ecutive session, confirmed the nomina- gressman-elect from the Thirteenth THE senate, on the 2 tion of Elijah W. Halford, the presi- (Ind.) district, proprietor of the band

States 255, and for Canada 40, declined to grant the request of the Russian railway companies that they be allowed to bay material abroad.

The funeral of the late Bishop Phil-

Mount Auburn cemetery.

On the 26th a passenger train on the Ohio & Big Sandy railroad, making forty miles an hour, struck a rock, half the size of a box car, that had rolled upon the track from a hillside near Gallup, Ky., and was badly wrecked. Brakeman Quillen, of Catlettsburg, and Baggagemaster L. H. Mull, were seriously hurt.

THE Duluth (Minn.) clearing house and real estate exchange adopted resolutions, on the 26th, in opposition to the Sherman silver act and formulated a memorial asking its repeal.

Ox the 26th the Minneapolis (Minn.) chamber of commerce passed a strong protest against the Washburn-Hatch

anti-option bill by a vote of 165 to 9. THE house committee on rules agreed, on the 26th, to make the Andrew-Cate silver bill a special order for February 9 and 10, but no cloture provision was

THE Sterling dynamite plant, situated at McAdary, two miles from Bessemer, Ala., exploded with terrific force early on the morning of the 27th. Trees were torn up by the roots, and great holes were made in the ground. Two of the employes, Jim Parsons and George Williams, were instantly killed, and only small pieces of skin and bones could be found to tell of their horrible

COL INGERSOLL, who in his famous nominating speech at Cincinnati sixteen years ago, first referred to Mr. Blaine as the "Plumed Knight," by which title the dead statesman has since been known, when asked if he had anything to say concerning Mr. Blaine's death, replied: "No; that's a subject on which I have nothing whatever to say."

AFTER a painless night ex-Congress man, ex-Senator, ex-Secretary of State and Political Historian James G. Blaine died peacefully at 11 o'clock on the morning of the 27th. Within an hour the sad announcement had been telegraphed to every part of the civilized world and, in America, at least, caused the most profound grief. THE Detroit (Mich.) high school building was completely destroyed by fire at 4 o'clock on the morning of the

27th. Loss \$100,000. THE funeral, services over the remains of the late Associate Justice L. Q. C. Lamar took place at Macon, Ga.,

on the 27th. A SPECIAL from Dover, Del., on the 27th, reported Hon. P. Comegys, who was lately retired from the state chiefjusticeship on a pension by the legislature, as unconscious and not expected to live the day out.

AUGUST JOHNSON, 30 years old, fel down the dome elevator shaft of the New York World building from the fifteenth floor to the basement, on the 27th, and was instantly killed.

THE Chickamauga national park commissioners have offered \$17,000 for eight acres of land on Orchard Knob, on which Generals Grant and Thomas stood and watched the charge without Mission Ridge, November 25, 1863. The owners of the tract ask \$24,000 for it, but the offer of the government is final, and condemnation proceedings may follow, with which power the commission

AT Jonesville, Ind., on the 27th, the body of an unknown man was found lying on the ice in the middle of White river, with some large chunks of ice ying over it, completely obscuring the body from view. The man's throat had been cut from ear to ear and both hands were cut inside, as if a knife had been drawn through them.

On the morning of the 26th the police picked up an unconscious man on the street in Davenport, Ia. He was restored, and, on the 27th, left for his ome at Elgin. Ill. His name is Hubbard. He was in Chicago and started to board a train for home, but remembered he was surrounded by a crowd. There were no marks of violence on him, but be was out a gold watch and \$180 in

A GIGANTIC system of robbery on the New Mexico division of the Santa Fe railroad for the past six months has been brought to light, and the implicated employes, engineers, firemen, conductors, brakemen and agent are being arrested as fast as they can be located.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

In the senate, on the 28th, the credentials of Mr. Camden, elected to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator Kenna, of West Virginia, and of Mr. Stockbridge, of Michigan, were presented and placed on file. Senate bill relating to the anchorage and movenent of vessels in the port of Chicago was reported and passed. A resolution was agreed to calling on the secretary of the treasury for information as to the rules and regulations in existence at the port of New York for the prevention of the introduction of contagious or infectious diseases prescribed to be observed at the ports of departure; and by what authority such rules and regulations have been established. The remainder of the session was passed in executive session......In the house, several resolutions were reported from the committee on rules. The sundry appropriations bill was then taken up in committee of the whole, after which the session was devoted to eulogistic speeches of the late W. S. Stockhouse,

of South Carolina. THE steamer Claudine, which arrived at San Francisco on the 28th, brought intelligence of a bloodless revolution in the Hawaiian islands, precipitated, on the 15th, by the determination of Queen Lilioukalani to force a new constitution upon the people. At the time the Claudine left the government was in the hands of a provisional committee and the vessel brought commissioners en route to Washington to treat for the admission of the islands into the American union of states.

THE princess of Wales has sent to the Chicago World's fair a beautiful corner chair of carved oak, with cut cowhide carving, made by the pupils of the Sandringham technical school. The cowhide was cut by the princess of Wales according to her own designs. The reserved price is £100, to be devoted to charity. The Princesses Victoria and Maud have sent music stools

On the 2sth Hon. C. G. Conn, condent's private secretary to be major instrument factory at Elkhart, Ind., distributed nearly \$20,000 among the country, during the seven days army.

The St. Petersburg government has dend due them in accordance with a plan 7, representing 233 fail-lips Brooks took place in Boston, on ted States and 44 in the lips Brooks took place in Boston, on the 26th, the remains being interred in MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

An Important Matter. A Jefferson City dispatch to the Globe-Democrat, dated the 26th, said: In accordance with a resolution adopted this norning in the house the speaker appointed Messrs. Hawkins. of Dunklin; Trigg. of Ray, and Prigmore, of Pettis, a special committee to investig ite the expenditures of state revenue for criminal co-ts, with a view to for mulating laws that will reduce the expense. This prom-less to be one of the most important features of he winter's legislation. The criminal costs have een growing rapidly for years, and it seems that the state is never able to appropriate enough money to meet the demands. Two years ago the embly appropriated \$550,000, and it was supposed that this sum would be sufficient, but the first of the present month there was a de-ficiency of \$35,000. The committee having this matter in charge proposes to go to the bottom of the subject if possible, and recommend wholesale reforms. Gov. Francis, in his message, suggested the advisability of repealing the law under which the state pays criminal osts, and let each county pay its own costs. Many of the ablest members of the as-sembly believe that this is the true solution. It is a fact worthy of note that the criminal costs are the greatest in proportion to the population in the counties where the law is the least enforced. If the proortion of criminal costs drawn by some of state, there would not be enough revenue to pay the per diem of the members of the general assembly. Those who have looked into the matter are satisfied that the laws are radcally wrong, and that most important changes must be made. The burden of costs, it seems is largely due to continuations of crimina ses, and the various changels through which rials can be delayed for almost any length of

ime desired. A Young Villain's Crime. Further investigation into the cause the Haenschen-Bruce tragedy in St.

Lonis warrants the assertion that Haenschen intended murder. On the 31th of last December Haenschen ap marry Miss Bruce, alleging that it must be a secret marriage in order to save the young lade's reputation. Under these circumstances the license was granted, and the young couple were married by a justice. They kept the marriage a secret, and it seems that on the evening of the crime Haenschen called on his wife, and she upbraided him for his loose habits. Harnschen became enraged, and drew his wife's head down and fired a revolver shot into the side of her face, and then fiel the house, and soon shot and killed himself. And now it develops that the marriage was not one of necessity, as Haenschen claimed, but that he was afraid that some one would cut him out, and marry the girl before he was able to care for a wife, and that he persuaded her to marry him's cratly, and that he told the story to the recorder, smirching the fair name of his sweetheart, in order to secure the license and have the marriage performed secretly

Extra Imprisonment for Unpaid Costs. Judge Henry L. Edmunds rendered an interesting opinion in St. Louis a few days ago.

It was a case of habeas corpus proceedings instituted by Attorney Joseph Furling to have Julius F. Lewis, who was sentenced to thirty days in juli for attempted petit larceny and to pay the costs of the suit, released from cusody. Levis served his thirty-day sent-nce. and Furling wished to test the law requiring twenty days' additional imprisonment for nonpayment of costs. Hitherto it has been cusory with the jailer and workhouse superintendent to release prisoners without ref-erence to costs, and this Judge Elmunds, in denying Furlong's writ, declares to be illegal. His honor holds that the statute aforesaid requirement concerning the non-pay-ment of fines was not in conflict with the constitution of this state, which forbid imprison ment for debt. Lewis was, therefore, reman !ed to the jailer's castody, and will have to serve the additional twenty days.

A Peculiar Wedding Contract. James W. Patrick and Miss Elizabeth Wray were married in St. Joseph

the other evening. Before the marriage license was applied for en unusual contract between the couple was filed with the county recorder. This doc sets forth that for a consideration of \$10 already said to the bride by the groom, the former waives and relinquishes all rights and title to any interest in the estate that he now possesses,or that he may accumulate in the fu'n e. There is a stipulation, however, that the wife if she outlives the husband, is to have \$1,000 at his death. The remainder of the property that he may possess at the time of his leath is to go to his children and other heirs. The wife also relinquished by the terms of contract any interest in all property that may be accumulated by the joint labor of he self and husband. Patrick is worth about \$100,001. He is probably 60

years old: his wife is about 20. Another Large Pork Packing Plant. The well-known packing firm of Fracis Whittaker & Sons, of St. Louis, have sold their East St. Louis houses to

Armour & Co., of Chicago, From what can be learned Whittaker & Sons will soon erect in St. Louis one of the largest perk packing plants in the west. It is also stated that they would not and could not depend on St. Louis or East St. Louis for hog : They would buy them where they were cheaper, no matter if it would be Kansas City, Oma ha, St. oseph. Peoria, Ill., or any country point. They needed a certain kind of bogs at times and would by them where they found

Relating to Convict Labor. Mr. Millman, of Kansas City, has introduced a bill in the lower house of the legislature to abolish the contract sys-

tem of working convicts. The act contemplates the working of convicts on the public highways, but makes no adequate provision therefor. On this subject the bill reads: "Hereafter convict labor shall be used outside of the walls in building and maintaining state roads according to and as the law may direct." The bill is the outgrowth of resolutions of the industrial council of Kansas City, representing 10,'00 workmen.

Trouble at Meadows Settlement. What is known as the Meadows settlement, some 25 miles south of Ozark, near the Taney county line, is attracting some attention. Three or four schoolhouses have been burned lately and at a protracted meeting a few recently the constable had to attend church at night with a large posse of men to help keep order.

Sheep Killed by Dogs. The other night Col. J. P. Elliott, living 3 miles southwest of Sedalia, discovered two dogs in an inclosed lot among a flock of 350 sheep. The dogs had the frightened sheep cornered in little bunches, and had killed forty of them when discovered.

A Jall Delivery. Twelve prisoners broke jail at Springfield, and up to the 22d seven had been captured. Renfrew, sentenced to hang, was among those at large.

An Elevator Burned Elevator C, St. Louis, was destroyed by fire early on the morning of the 22d. Loss, \$1.250,000; covered by insurance, so the owners say. A High-Toned Burglar.

of Smithton, Pettis county, was caught the other night in the role of burglar. He was arrested. Little Snow in St. Louis. Louis this winter. Skating on the lakes in the parks has been better than

W. E. Atchison, a prominent citizer

known for years. For Horse Stealing. Thomas H. Tracy was sentenced to the penitentiary for five years on two counts for stealing horses, at Clinton

a few days ago. Death of T. J. Bryant. Thomas J. Byrant died in St. Joseph a few days ago. He was the founder of the Bryant & Stratton business colTHE MISSOURI LEGISLATURE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21. SENATE—The senate was not in session. House—There was quite a number of bills in roduced, among which were: Mr. Grist: To restrain domestic greese from running at large.

Mr. Murray: To indemnify owners of sheep that have been killed by dogs from a fund to be derived from licensing dogs. Mr. Davis (of Taney): Requiring railway passenger trains to stop at all stations. Mr. Hays: Providing that when the attendance of colored school children of a district falls below twenty-five a term of four months' school shall be deemed sufficient. Mr. Choate: Prohibiting the shipment of quaits and prairie chickens for a period of five years. Mr. Penland: Relating to the qualification of members of the house. [It requires representatives to have paid taxes one year before election]. MONDAY, JANUARY 23

SENATE—The senate was in session for short time. Several bills were introduced, bu no measures of importance were enacted.

House—After a long debate the house, by vote of 10s to 13, indorsed the Hatch anti-option bill. A number of bills were introduced. TUESDAY, JANUARY 24. SENATE — The committee on school text cooks reported favorably the bill requiring a history of Missouri to be added to the text-

oke now used in the public schools. Mr Wurdeman's resolution asking congress to re-peal the law closing the World's fair on Sun-day, was called up and failed to pass—yeas, nays, 16 House-Mr. Smith (of Pike) introduced resolution asking congress to oppose a repeal of the law closing the World's fair on Sunday. A motion to refer to the committee on federal relations was lost, and Mr. Maune moved to table the resolution, which was also lost by the following vote—yeas, 58; nays, 72 Mr. Blount offered an amendment to the resolution in favor of the opening of the fair on Sunday, which was lost-yeas, 55; nays, 75. Mr. Tatum offered an amendment, which was also lost, referring the entire matter to the authorities of Illinois. There was a long wrangle over engrossing Mr. Russell's bill re-

afterwards the vote was reconsidered, two amendments adopted, and then it was talked to death and tabled. After a short debate, the bill providing for the annual assessment of real estate was ordered to engrossment. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25. SENATE-Mr. Stone presented a very large petition from the business men and prominent citizens of St. Louis asking for the passage of

quiring all persons who carry concealed weapons to obtain a permit therefor from the counit

cierk. The bill was once ordered engrossed;

the undergroun i wire bill. Quite a number of bills were introduced. House-The resolutions relating to opening the World's fair on Sunday, left pending from the 24th, were taken up, and after a short skirmish the entire matter was table i. Mr. Moore (of Laciede) called up his bill for regulating stock yar! charges. An amendment not affecting the rates was adopted, and after a long discussion the bill was engrossed House bill repealing the laws under which members of the state board of equalization re-ceive five dollars per day in addition to their salaries was taken up under an adverse report and ordered printed. House bill requiring the commissioner of permanent seat of govern-ment to be elected by joint ballot of the assembly was reported favorably.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26. SENATE-The senate transacted very little asiness of importance. Senate bill re-enactng a charter amendment to Kansas City was read a third time and passed. Senate bill increasing the salary of the secretary of the board of railroad commissioners to \$2,0.0 per year was called up, and pending debate the enate adjourne l.

House-Mr. Hawkins (of Dunklin) offered a esolution for the appointment of a special committee of three to make a complete exam-ination of the expenditures of money for crim-The committee on official salaries and fees reported unfavorably the bill increasing the salaries of circuit judges to \$3,000 per year. The committee on private corporations reported favorably the bill requiring corporations other than railroad and insurance companies to report annually to the secretary of state. The committee on benevolent and scientific institutions reported favorably the bill for the ars as a part of the state board of health to examine applicants for license to practice medgiving the wife control of property acquired by mutual labor in case of the death of the husband ntestate, provoked a long debate, but it was finally engrossed. Mr. Ward's bill fixing the legal wheat toll of exchange mills at one-sixth was debated for an hour, a number of amendm nts offered and rejected, and the bill failed to be ordered engrossed.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27. BENATE-Senate bill increasing the salary of the secretary of the railroad commissioners to \$2,000 per year failed to pass. The comm on ways and means reported a substitute bill fixing the state dramshop minimum license at \$100 per year, and fixing the county minimum at \$300 and the maximum at \$500. After enrossing several bills the senate adjourned till o'clock p. m. of the 30.h.

House-The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Hatch anti-option bill was indorsed was tabled. Mr. Requa offered a resolution that in the future the house disper se with consideration of resolutions instructing members of congress how to vote. Debated until the morning hour expired. Mr. Gernez' bill probibiting exchange bucket-shops was reported favorably by committee on criminal jurisprudence. Judiciary committee reported favorably the bill providng for the registration and protection of trade marks. Committee on constitutional amendments reported favorably Mr. Hays' joint resolution for a constitutional amendment empowering ten jurymen to return a verdict in civil cases. Same committee reported adversely Mr. Tatum's resolution for the exemption from taxation of property to the amount of \$200. A minority report was submitt d on this measure. Mr. Russell offered a resolution that the house aljourn out of re-spect to the memory of James G. Blaine. Jusice Lamar's name was included. An amendment was adopted to adjourn over until Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock when the house shall djourn. Adop ed. After a number of bills had been introduced the house took a recess

until 10 a. m. of the 28th. Legislative Gossip.

SCHOOL TEXT-BOOKS. JEFFERSON CITY, Jan. 26.-House committee on school text books will report adverse y the oill to prohibit the sale of school-text-books under merchauts' license, and increasing the profit to dealers from i0 to 15 per cent. The object sought by the bill is to place the sale of school books exclusively in the hands of book

ASSESSMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY. JEPPERSON CITY, Jan. 28.-At a meeting of the house ways and means committee to-night number of bills relating to the assessment of personal property were considered, and a sub-committee composed of Mesars. Drabille, Choate and Smart, was appointed to draft a substitute for all the measures relating to this subject. These bills provide many ways for reaching personal property that escapes taxation, such as rendering notes and evidence of indebtedness not listed for taxation, non-collectable and non-negotiable, deducting the taxes paid upon mortgaged properly from the interest and principal, etc.

LONDON AND FARIS.

STATISTICS in London show that in that city the consumption of gas is steadily increasing notwithstanding the more general adoption of electric

In summer at Paris the Seine delivers to the two parts of the bridge Pont-Neuf about a hundred cubic inches of water every second, moving with a force of three thousand five hundred horse-power. Every hour three hundred and sixty thousand cubic metres of water pass under the arches of the bridge, or eight million six hundred and forty thousand cubic metres in a day.

ASTRONOMY.

Some of the stars move with a velocity

of nearly fifty miles a second. ASTRONOMERS claim that there are 17,500,000 comets in the solar system. THE strongest telescope brings the moon to an apparent distance of 100

LIVING IN ST. LOUIS.

The High Price of Necessities in the City There Has Been a General Advance in Almost Everything, with the Exception of Brendstuffs and Some Fruits—Cancel Goods Go Up, Also Vegetables, Mosts and Coffee.

Sr. Louis, Jan. 26.-Provisions of

nearly every kind are higher in St.

Louis now than they have been for

years. The advance of price is not alone in one or two articles, but is general, including nearly everything except breadstuffs and some fruits. This ise, which in some cases is as remakable as it is unusual, has come about so gradually that the public has failed to realize it. Now many articles of staple groceries which are necessaries cost from 20 40 per cent more than they did two or three months ago. Except perhaps in one instance, that of hog products, this increase of price is due to legiti-mate causes. Short crops and cold weather cut the supply. The increased price on lard and smoked meats is due to two causes. A year ago the farmers realized such low figures on their pork that they lost money and becoming discouraged did not give the hog much attention and this resulted in a heavy shortage. This was taken advantage of by several heavy packers, who combined and raised the price higher than it would otherwise have gone. Lard, smoked hams, shoulders, clear sides and sausages have all increased on an average of about 35 per cent. This has resulted in curtailing the trade almost 50 per cent., and proportionately increased the sales of breadstuffs and fresh meats, which are plentiful and cheap.

Of late years canned goods have come

to be as much of a necessity as meats and bread. The advance in this line has been extraordinary, though as yet retailers have not raised prices to consumers materially. Some idea of the advance can be gathered from the following figures: Tomatoes opened at 85 cents per case delivered here; now they are scarce at \$1.20 per case. Corn contracted for at 85 cents is now worth \$1.10. Gooseberries have climbed from 60 cents per case to \$1.25 in Baltimore. Last year low-grade peaches were quoted at 65 cents; now they are \$1.10, and in higher grades the price has advanced from 90 cents to \$1.35. The advance in lower grades is greater than in higher. This is brought about entirely by the very short peach crop of last season. There are plenty of California peaches and canned goods, but the excessive freight rates make them very high at any season, and they are out of reach of the masses. The freeze up north has cut the cranberry crop short, and the only source of supply is from New Jersey. The prices have advanced 121/4 to 15 per cent.

Coffees have fallen in with the general advance, the crop being reported very short. Sugar has not materially isen, but it is expected it will. The situation is in the hands of the refiners, who can advance the price when they please, but there is no shortage. The ecent flurry in the egg market, when was caused by a shortage in Chicago, when eggs went up to 42 cents, and everybody shipped there. As a result the home market was emptied and Chicago was gorged. Prices fell there and rose here. Then the Chicago commission merchants commenced shipping the same eggs back to St. Louis, and now the price is 25 cents and even less.

Vegetables of all kinds have advanced. The crop of near-by onions is entirely exhausted, and the dealers are being supplied from New York at an advance of 80 cents a barrel. No more cabbage is to be had from the east and north, and the only supply now is from California. Since the middle of December last the price has advanced \$15 a ton. Usually Chicago marketers produce enough cabbage to keep all the markets going, but this year had not enough for home consumption, and what they have is frozen up in beds. Irish potatoes have advanced 20 cents a bushel owing to a partial failure of the crops of Illinois, Iowa and Missouri.

To Increase the Revenue. The bill introduced in the lower house of the Missouri legislature by Mr. Noland, of St. Louis, providing for a state inspection of beer will, it is said by those who have figured on the result of its passage, add about \$300,000 annually to the state's revenue. It provides for the appointment by the governor of a state beer inspector, who shall receive \$3,000 per year and be allowed a chief deputy at \$1,800 per year. Other inspectors shall receive \$1,500 a year. The charge for inspecting and gauging beer is fixed at one-fourth of one cent per gallon, and all fees must be turned over to the state treasurer as in the case of other fees, and the officers created under the act shall receive their salaries therefrom on vouchers filed with the state auditor. The surplus funds acquired under the act shall be held by the treasurer as a fund to be used in improving the public highways, as may be directed in the future by the legislature. The inspection of beer is to be conducted with a view to preventing the manufacture and sale of adulterated beer, and to under arrest. He will remain at the this end the chief inspector shall be a ompetent chemist, who can determine the ingredients used by manufacturers.

To Regulate Stock-Yard Charges. Some days ago Mr. Moore, of Laclede county, introduced a bill in the legislature to regulate stock-yard charges, and it has now passed through the com-mittee of agriculture, and has been placed before the house on a favorable

stock and stock yard companies. It makes it unlawful for any person, company or corporation operating a stock yard in this state, where stock is bought and sold, unloaded or reloa led, to charge a greater rate of yarlage than 20 cents per head for cattle, horses or mules, 8 ceuts per head for all such stock under I year of age, 5 cents per head for hogs and sheep, no more than 25 per cent, additional to the current mar-ket whole-ale price for corn, hay, straw or other material supplied for feeding or bedding, such sales to be by actual standard weight and good to make any charge for watering or counting such stock into or out of pens. A violation of the law incur a fine of from \$50 to \$200, and pros cuting attorneys are required to pross. nesses to the will. The cute such cases in the county where the law is tinue several days yet.

RSON CITY, Jan. 25.-The bill regulating stock yard charges was en- CINCINNATI, Jan. 27.- The coffin manmoon to an apparent distance of 100 miles.

The comet medal of the Astronomical acaders of the Pacific coast has been awarded to Edwin Holmes, of London, Eng., for his discovery of the unexpected comet on November 6.

officers of the St. Louis Union Stock Yards Co. say that if the bill becomes a law they will be driven out of the per cent. reduction in the price of cofficers of the St. Louis Union Stock Yards Co. say that if the bill becomes a law they will be driven out of the per cent. The Cleveland Manufacturing Co. is leading the break in favor of the review. Such a move will cost shippers an additional \$5 per car on stock. This same bill was presented two years ago, and was indefinitely postponed.

THE BILL ENGLOSSED.

WINGED HEELS.

The World's Long-Distance Skating Rec-ord Left Out of Sight by Joe Donoghue at Stamford, Conn.—One Hundred Miles Within Seven Hours and Twelve Min-

STAMFORD, Conn., Jan. 27.-There were 2,000 people present to witness the 100-mile skating match between Donoghue, Franklin and Ennis, yesterday afternoon. They were standing on the ice so compactly that it left only a narrow track for the skaters. Donoghue ommenced and continued putting wider distance between himself and his competitors. His early average was

about 3% minutes to the mile. When the champion made ninety miles in 6:07 3-5 the crowd could hardly be restrained. On his ninety-second mile he met with an accident which nearly put him out of the race. A small boy ran out of the crowd on one side of the track and attempted to crossjust as Donoghue came like the wind down the long stretch. The boy collided with the champion, and was knocked twenty feet in one direction, while Donoghue fell backward, wrenching one knee. He was unsteady for a moment, but pulled himself together and gradually resumed his former gait.

In seven hours from the start he had covered 97 miles and 220 yards, making a record for this time. His last mile was done in 4:314, and his time for the 100 miles was 7:11:38 1-5. When Dohoghue finished Franklin had 90 1-13 miles and Ennis 85 miles to

his credit. The best record up to yes-terday was that of John Ennis, made at the Chicago rink, which was 11:37:45. Donoghue finished in good condition. The ice was in splendid condition. An elliptical course 1,052 feet long and 425 feet wide was laid out on the cove pond. It was surveyed by Engineer Pierce and measured just two laps to the mile. The temperature was a few degrees below the freezing all the forenoon. There was a bright sun overhead and no wind. C. W. Minor, of Stamford, and S. J. Montgomery, of Tarrytown, acted as judges, and W. B.

Curtis was referee. THE EDNA DERBY MYSTERY.

The Man Responsible for the Taking Off of Edna Derby in Chicago Supposed to be in Costody at Paducah, Ky.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—Chief of Police D. . Wilcox of Paducah, Ky., believes he has in custody the man who is responsible for the disappearance from this city of Miss Edna Derby on June 1 last. Miss Derby was a handsome girl, 20 years old, and was employed as cashier in a small fruit store owned by Frank Wild. On the evening of June 3 the couple were seen taking a street car near Wild's place of business, and until vesterday nothing of them has been

Mrs. Fannie Van Tassel, Miss Derby's mother, believes that the girl has been murdered and that Wild was hired to commit the deed by a minister and physician of Lincoln, Neb., whose names she refuses to reveal. Recently Mrs. Van Tassel received the following letter: "If you do not stop trying he price went up to 38 cents per dozen, to find Edna you will meet with a

death worse than her's." The missive was signed "One who knows." It was postmarked Chicago. Mrs. Van Tassel did not relax her efforts, and she now has strong hopes of bringing Wild to justice, as the man under arrest at Paducah, who gives the name of H. W. Shafer, answers Wild's

description in every particular. SECRETARY CHARLES FOSTER Charged with Violating the Law of Ohio in Being a Party to a Contract to Sup-ply an Insane Asylum with Flour, He

Being a Trustee. Columbus, O., Jan. 27.-Dr. W. F. Wagenhals, of this city, has filed with Gov. McKinley charges of malfeasance against Secretary of the Treasury Foster, as trustee for the Ohio asylum for the insane at Toledo. The charge is that Secretary Foster is interested with Isaac Harter in the milling company of Fostoria, which concern is selling large quantities of flour to the Toledo insane asylum. In his letter Wagenhals specifies that 150 barrels of flour were sold

to the asylum in June and the same amount each month up to December. The law is such that if the above facts can be proved a plain case is made out against the secretary. Section 628 of the state statutes says: "No trustee, commissioner, director or officer of any benevolent institution may be directly or indirectly interested in any purchase for or contract on behalf of such institution, and if he is found to be shall be forthwith removed from

MOSHER INDICTED. The President of the Wrecked Capitol Bank of Lincoln, Neb., Under Arrest on a Charge of Embezziement and Faise

Entry. OMAHA. Neb., Jan. 27 .- A report to the World-Herald from Lincoln says that vesterday the grand jury returned five indictments against C. W. Mosher, president of the Capitol national bank. The grand jury adjourned shortly after noon, and Mosher was placed hotel in the custody of a deputy United

States marshal. The charges brought against Mosher re embezziement and false entry. Mosher was before the grand jury Wednesday and yesterday and made a clean breast of everything. He will probably appear in the court to-day and plead guilty, in which event he will be sent to the prison at Sioux Falls,

The McDonald Will Case.

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Jan. 27.-Interest in the trial of the McDonald will case grows as the trial proceeds. The evidence throughout yesterday was of much the same character as on Wednesday, each witness in turn pronouncing the signatures to the will forgeries. This evidence includes the testimony of Jesse B. Caldwell, who was the set ator's private secretary, and Frank M. Lowen, stenographer in the office. Mr. Lowen also pronounced as forgeries the signatures of the attesting witnesses to the will. The case will con-

A Bright Prospect for Prospective

grossed by the house to-day. The ufacturers now in session in this city-Stock-yards companies regard it as a are encountering several obstacles in most ruinous piece of work. The bill their efforts to form a coffin combine. Was amended to give informers half of the fines imposed. In a letter to Mr. Drabelle the officers of the St. Louis Union Stock